

MINUTES
LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA TRAINING CENTER
May 24, 2006

PRESENT: Donald Lyons, Chairperson
Joyce Bunn
Sandy Yates
Charlotte Barkley
Dr. Ohlen Wilson
Karen Poe, Staff Development Director

ABSENT: Wilma Brown
Loretta Evans
Dr. Mark Witherspoon, Psychology Director
Denice Olinger
Betty Meredith

The Local Human Rights Committee for Southwestern Virginia Training Center met on Wednesday, May 24, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. in the IHP Review Room. Chairperson Donald Lyons, called the meeting to order and presided.

On a motion by Sandy Yates and a second by Ohlen Wilson, the minutes from the March 22, 2006 and April 26, 2006 meetings were unanimously approved.

B. J. McKnight reviewed the SWVTC Instruction 375 "Guidelines for Locked Resident Living Units". Donald Lyons asked if there were any comments or recommendations. There were none.

A motion was made by Ohlen Wilson and seconded by Charlotte Barkley that the Local Human Rights Committee go into Executive Session pursuant to VA Code 2.2-3711.A(4) and (15) for the purpose of reviewing the restrictive behavior plans and/or medication reviews of residents. Such review would necessarily involve discussion and consideration of mental and medical records which are confidential and exempted from the Freedom of Information Act.

After review in Executive session, a motion was made by Charlotte Barkley and seconded by Joyce Bunn that the LHRC convene in Open Session. The motion carried.

Upon reconvening in Open Session, the Local Human Rights Committee unanimously certified that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to convene the Executive Session, were discussed in the Executive Session.

On a motion made by Joyce Bunn and a second by Charlotte Barkley, the LHRC unanimously approved as presented individual programs presented by first names and register numbers for residents of Connections, New Horizon, and Pathways Cottages with a recommendation of an update by Larry Myers.

The Advocate's Report was disseminated and reviewed by B. J. McKnight.

The next meeting of the LHRC is scheduled for Wednesday, June 28, 2006.

A motion was made by Sandy Yates and seconded by Charlotte Barkley that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.